

Sedalia Evening Democrat.

NEW SERIES.

FOR FREE COINAGE.

MEETING OF THE CHICAGO SILVER CONVENTION.

WELCOMED BY THE MAYOR

A Strong Movement Against The Scheme for Demonetizing Silver—Notable Men.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 2.—The national convention of bimetallists in this city has brought together a notable body of men representing the three great political parties. At the very outset it was decided to keep partisan politics in the background and to stand united for free coinage of silver.

The delegates were welcomed by Mayor Harrison, after the convention was called to order by Chairman Warner.

Hon. Thomas M. Patterson responded to the address of welcome, and in the course of his speech said:

"We were asking for but free coinage that Hamilton and Jefferson and Monroe gave to the country, and which was ratified by congress and the people when Andrew Jackson was president. [Applause.] We stand by the law of 1792, placed upon the statute books when the constitution was first adopted and when the thirteen free and independent colonies became united as free and independent states. [Applause.] We are in favor of the constitution of our fathers, and we are in opposition to the anarchists of the land, the anarchists who sit behind banking counters [applause], the anarchists who, by their legislation, would turn the poor people of the land out of their own homes; the anarchists who are forcing down prices and robbing every man of one-half of that which he possesses in the shape of property." [Applause.]

THE MARSHALL FAIR.

Unusual Interest Taken in the Electric Light Races.

The opening day of the Marshall fair and the racing yesterday was one of unusual interest and there was a large and enthusiastic audience present. The racing was of a high order, and the electric light feature of the night running races is attracting widespread attention. Summary:

First race, 2:45 trot; stake \$500:
Morgan Wilkes.....1 1
Waverly.....4 2
Preceptor.....3 4
Captain Jenkins.....5 3
Henry C.....6 6
Greenway.....2 5
Clay Cross.....7 3
Kiowa.....8 dis
Time—2:33, 2:29½, 2:33.
Second race, yearling trot or pace, half mile heats; stake \$500.
Theo. Shelton.....1 1
Rosewood Redmond.....2 2
P.J.4 3
Trixie Allison.....3 4
Clara Biggs.....5 3
Time 1:20, 1:17.
Third race, 3:00 3-year-old pace, stake \$500.
Maxie B.....1 1
Whirligig.....2 2
Lady H.....4 3
Whettedwood.....3 dis
Time 2:25, 2:29, 2:40.

SHOT OFF A TOE.

The Misfortune Will Rhodes Met With To-day.

Will Rhodes, in the employ of Frank Gent and living at 1414 East Fourth street, accidentally shot off the toe next to the little one on the right foot, about 8 o'clock this morning.

He was cleaning the gun and had the muzzle resting upon this particular toe, when the weapon was discharged, carrying away the toe and lacerating the sole of the foot.

The Drs. Scales dressed the wound, and the young man is getting along nicely. He carries two accident policies that will give him \$25 a week while he is laid up.

For Sale and Trade.

For sale, 468 acres farm land, all good smooth land and new, good soil, well fenced. The best bargain in this county, belongs to heirs. Good title and clear at the low price of \$22.50 per acre. Terms to suit.

No. 194. Poultry and garden farm of 14 acres, good soil, house and barn and orchard at a bargain, would exchange; situated 3 miles west of Sedalia.

We have the largest list of good improved farms of all sizes now offered for sale, some for exchange. Also city property both improved and unimproved at prices and terms to suit. If you want anything in the real estate line don't fail to call on us.

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Agent.

demption of its notes that 90 per cent of either gold or silver coin. Next, the bills receivable at the bank; and under the present system it would be an utter impossibility for the bank to fail and the whole of its bills receivable would be worthless. Certainly 10 per cent. of them would be paid beyond a question. An examination of the comptroller's report shows, I believe, that of all the national banks which have gone into liquidation the assets have yielded over 50 per cent. Finally, there is an individual liability of the stockholders. What more secure system of banking could any country have, and what is more, if some such plan as this is adopted and entered into in good faith it cannot be but a short time before you will see the old parity between gold and silver absolutely restored and give to us a sound national currency.

"Now, it must be perfectly apparent to those who control the national banks of this country that their very existence depends upon a wise solution of this question, and that in any event they cannot bring about the repeal of the Sherman law and get the people to consent to the issue of more bonds without a long and desperate struggle, during which time all industries will continue to remain paralyzed. Let them meet us in a spirit of fairness and upon equal ground, enter with us upon the development of some such plan as the one suggested. If this can be brought about, I am sure that not only confidence will be instantly restored, but that this country will have raised aloft the beacon light which will lead the world towards prosperity for half a century to come." [Applause.]

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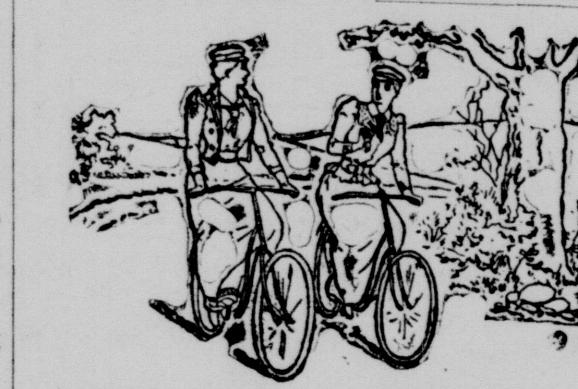
The citizens of Harvey were wild with excitement, for nothing was left of the county records to show who owned either property or mortgage, and every man or woman who wanted to convey a piece of property was compelled to pay \$10 for every transfer to Shirley and Rogers.

As there are oftentimes 20 transfers in one contract, the costs sometimes reach as high as \$200. This extraordinary extortion caused so much excitement that the county commissioners offered fabulous prices for the books of Shirley and Rogers. The latter finally offered the books for \$20,000, which the commissioners were on the eve of accepting when the arrests were made.

The feeling against the men is intense and they will be closely guarded to avert the vengeance of the people of Harvey county.

Smoke "Americanite" cigars

LADIES' SAFETY!



A nice Ladies' Wheel slightly used, but as good as new, for \$35.00 cash. Large line of other Wheels at all prices.

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3-room house, 409 N. Engineer st.
3-room house, 410 " "
3-room house, 420 " "
3-room house, 422 " "
2 3-room houses 4th & New York ave.
3-room house, 308 East Boonville st.
The above are good new houses, and can be bought on easy monthly terms. Call and get our prices.
309 OHIO ST.

A BLACK CRIME

Uncarved at Wichita, Kas., and the Perpetrator Arrested.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 2.—A Times special from Wichita says:

One of the blackest crimes in Kansas was unearthed here last night and the arrest of the criminals effected. March 16 last the vaults of the register of deeds of Harvey county were broken into and the entire records of title to property of the county burned. The motive of the crime of which Shirley and Rogers are accused is said to be this: They had a mortgage on the only set of abstract books in Harvey county. Soon after the burning of the records they foreclosed the mortgage and took the books.

"Resolved, That this convention elect an executive board of five

AMUSEMENTS.

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ONE WEEK—With Saturday Matinee.

COMMENCING MONDAY, AUGUST 14!

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THE MISSOURI MINERS WILL TAKE A HAND.

DEMAND ARBITRATION.

Unless the Kansas Strike is Settled The Missouri Miners Will Go Out.

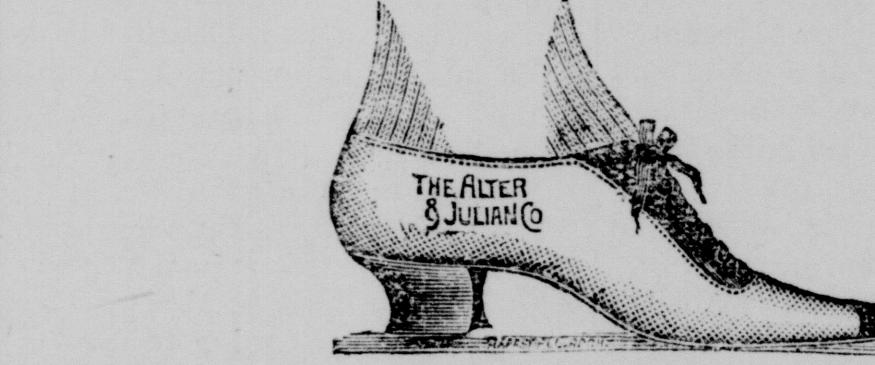
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 2.—The convention of delegates from the Missouri miners was held in the Coates house in this city yesterday afternoon to consider the duty of the Missouri miners toward their Kansas brethren. About thirty delegates were present from the mines at Lexington, Rich Hill, Ardmore, Bevier, Corder, Higginsville, Huntsville and others.

After long deliberation various resolutions were passed, some pertaining exclusively to the union and not for publication, some relating to the operators. These latter run as follows:

"Resolved, That this convention elect an executive board of five

GREAT CROWDS ATTEND

Wm. Courtney's



Clearance - Sale!

members to be added to the regular board of this, the Fourteenth, district, making ten in all; and be it further

"Resolved, That this board be authorized to confer with the operators of Kansas and Missouri with a view to settling the trouble now existing in those two states; be it further

"Resolved, That this convention demand a conference not later than August 3, and a settlement not later than August 5; be it further

"Resolved, That if the executive board fail to adjust a settlement, that we, the miners of Missouri, will suspend work at the call of the executive board, said call not to be later than the 7th inst."

President Walters was not talkative. He wore the aspect of a man burdened with great responsibility,

vault by blowing off the door with blasting powder. They evidently worked at the safe for a long time, but were unable to get at its contents, although the safe itself was ruined.

More Chicago Failures.

CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—There was less excitement on the board of trade to-day than was expected. The failures of Geo. G. Parker, L. M. Gregg and D. Eggleston & Co., were announced. The North American Provision Co. and Adam Smith & Co., wholesale liquors, also failed to-day.

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FRANCE seems disposed to force
Siam to fight anyhow.

THAT was a good suggestion of
Gen. Warner's that both the Sher-
man laws be repealed—that of 1873
as well as that of 1890.

MARYLAND is excited over a case
of alleged cholera. A man named
Maillard, just returned from the
World's fair, was the victim.

THERE is a big fair going on over
at Marshall this week. It takes
more than a financial flurry to dis-
courage the farmers and business
men of Missouri.

YESTERDAY was a bad day in the
Chicago pork pit. Prices dropped
from \$19.50 to \$9.50, causing the
failure of Fairbanks & Co. and other
large operators, and then rose to
\$11.50.

THE DEMOCRAT's advice to the
unemployed is to move straight on
to Washington and camp on the bat-
tle field. No city in the country is
able to care for more than its own
poor. The federal government must
look after the men whom it has
thrown out of employment.

THE AMERICAN citizen who com-
plains of hard times should remem-
ber that when we have most to com-
plain of we are not as bad off as the
people of Europe. For us the
clouds have a silver lining, while for
them all is dark. We experience a
lack of money, they too often a
lack of food.

REALLY Sedalia has mighty little
to complain of this year. We have
had very few business failures, while
our banks and financial institutions
generally have weathered the storm
without the slightest evidence of
weakness or symptom of disaster.
We are ready to enter upon the
fall season with every prospect of
a fair trade and a reasonable degree
of prosperity.

SEDALIA has been a remarkably
healthy town this summer; a short
time ago a comparative statement
was made showing that the death
rate was lower this year than ever
before in the city's history. It
should be remembered that this
condition can only be made permanent
by the most rigid enforcement
of all ordinances for the protection
of the public health.

GOLD is coming this way again.
New York will receive \$9,000,000
from Europe during the coming
week. It will be seen that Russell
Sage was right when he urged the
president to hurry up the extra ses-
sion of congress for fear that the
turn of the tide should destroy the
most powerful argument for a gold
standard. But the turn has come a
little sooner than Russell expected.

THE Kansas City Times, a gold-
bug paper, gleefully tells its readers
that the New York banks are going
to make more money and "ease the
situation" by increasing their circu-
lation. To-morrow the goldbugs
will ridicule the idea of any scarcity
of money in the country and tell us
that all we lack is "confidence."

They do not seem to realize that
they are inconsistent, they only
know that they don't want anything
but gold as a standard of values.

"ON to Washington" should be
the motto of the workingman who
has lost his employment by the
operation of policies of contraction
to a gold basis. Chicago, St. Louis,

Kansas City, Sedalia—none of the
towns and cities can furnish him
work or feed him during the winter.
Let him go to Washington, camp in
Mr. Cleveland's front yard and tell
him morning, noon and night, that
falling prices are killing protective
industries.

No intelligent man will contend
that the democratic party is in any
sense responsible for the depressed
condition of business in the United
States. The laws, the methods and
the policies that were inaugurated
by our republican friends have con-
tinued in operation just as they were
under Harrison. The democrats
have had no opportunity to legis-
late or even to attempt to cure the
evils that have sapped the prosper-
ity of the people. That opportuni-
ty, however, will come with the
meeting of the extra session of con-
gress and the responsibility will
come at the same time.

THE paid attendance at the
World's fair during July was
2,759,971. In speaking of the
outlook an officer of the exposition
says: "The attendance has failed
largely to reach the mark it was
expected to attain during the first
half of the Fair and especially dur-
ing the month of July. For this the
railroads are in the main held re-
sponsible, and the officials do not
hesitate to criticise their stubborn-
ness and meanness in refusing to
make a one-fare round trip at the
beginning of the fair. The present
hard times have had much to do
with the poor attendance, but the
management thinks the people
would have attended largely had
the railroad fares been reduced.
There must necessarily be a large
attendance during the remaining
period of the fair if the manage-
ment expects to pay its debts, and
this is all they now expect to do.

IT is a foregone conclusion that the
stockholders of the exposition will
get nothing on their investments,
nor will the subscriptions be re-
turned, as the money for which the
exposition is legally liable amounts
to so much that it will take a trem-
endous daily average of paid ad-
missions to ease the obligations."

THE DIFFERENCE.
The Kansas City Star calls atten-
tion to the marked difference be-
tween existing conditions and those
that prevailed in 1873—the last
great panic in this country.

The Star regards the present as
an era of liquidation rather than
one of collapse like 1873, and says:

"It is a noteworthy fact that, in
a vast majority of the financial and
commercial failures which have oc-
curred within the past month the
liabilities are largely exceeded by
the assets. There are few excep-
tions to this rule, and it proves
that the experience through which
the country is passing does not re-
semble in any degree the memor-
able panic of 1873. It is a period
of liquidation rather than of col-
lapse."

MUST GET OUT.

Must Give Up Their Business or Get
Out of the A. O. U. W.

Members of the Ancient Order of
United Workmen who are engaged
in the retail liquor business will
have to give up that business or else
get out of the organization forth-
with. There is no other alterna-
tive.

This is in accordance with the
decision of the supreme lodge, held
last month at Toronto, and which
gave those members that are in the
saloon business until August 1 to do
one thing or the other.

Those that refuse will be igno-
miniously expelled at the next meet-
ing of their lodges, and hereafter all
applications for membership from
retail liquor dealers will be refused.

To-Day's Police Court.

There were four cases in the police
court this morning. Otto
Jewell was arraigned on the charge
of having associated with prosti-
tutes, but acquittal followed his
trial. Mrs. Kate Pash called a fe-
male acquaintance a "chippie,"
which little pleasantries cost her \$5.
Two colored tourists were fined \$5
each for trespassing, but were given
a stay to leave town.

The Coming Examination.

Quite a number have already
made application for a civil service
examination on the 5th inst. for the
positions of clerks and carriers at
the postoffice, and still others will
be heard from before the evening
of the 4th, when the time for filing
applications will expire.

The Park Place.

At a meeting of the Sedalia Ath-
letic club, last night, it was decided
to have the wrestling match be-
tween Lou Baptiste, of St. Louis,
and W. F. Fisher, of Kansas City,
on the night of August 11, take
place at Forest Park theatre.

Wanted.

A good girl to do general house-
work. Good wages. 408 North
Grand avenue.

CAN DIE IN PEACE.

CHARLES F. VAIL'S LAST
DECLARATION.

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The Reference He Made to Charles
Funke Concerning the Mur-
der Charge.

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CHICAGO'S UNEMPLOYED.

An Army of Idle Workingmen That
is Constantly Increasing.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 1.—Every
freight train from the west brings
additions to the army of unemployed
workingmen. Fully one thou-
sand from Colorado and other western
states arrived yesterday. They are
orderly and well behaved, but many
of them were literally starv-
ing when they reached this city.

The serious condition of the un-
employed in Chicago has now begun
to attract attention. The heads of
the various trades have recognized
it by voluntarily submitting a sched-
ule reducing wages. Carpenters
who received from 45 to 40c an
hour during the exposition boom
are now willing to take 25 and 30c.

The same is true of other trades.
It is estimated that over 30,000
men are now out of employment
here. Over 10,000 were thrown out
of employment during the month of
June, when the exposition work was
completed. Since then the failure
of the Grant Locomotive works and
the reduction in expenses by the
railroads and manufacturers has
thrown fully 10,000 more out of
situations. Then there is a steady
stream of unemployed from all parts
of the country pouring into the city.
They have a vague idea that work
is still to be obtained at the fair.

There is no way to compute this
army of invasion, but a glance at
the parks, lodging houses and
saloons shows it to be enormous.
From 2000 to 4000 men can be seen
any day stretched on the grass along
the lake front. Lincoln park daily
shelters as many more. Fully 10,
000 haunt the resorts just outside
the exposition grounds. One of
these in a talk with a correspondent
said, which is of interest.

At midnight, Saturday, an hour
before Vail died, Mr. and Mrs.
Vail had retired, and their son George
had gone down stairs. Charles F.
Vail then said to Mr. Funke:

"Charlie, are we alone?"

"We are."

"Well, Charlie, I am going to
die."

Mr. Funke urged him to be more
hopeful, but to no effect.

"All I ask of you, Charlie, is not
to let mother know that I am about
to die. She will be grieved enough
when I am gone."

Vail paused a moment and added:
"As to the charges against me, I
can die in perfect peace. All I
want you to do is to keep it from
mother that I am going to die."

Vail said no more, and died with-
in the hour. His remark that as for
the charges against him he could
die in peace, indicates that to the
last he was firm in his adherence to
his protests of innocence.

NEGRO RAPIST IDENTIFIED.

He Narrowly Escapes Lynching and
Is Sent to Jail.TOPEKA, Kas., Aug. 1.—Jordan Land,
a colored shoemaker, was arrested at Meriden, Jefferson coun-
ty, last Monday, charged with
criminally assaulting Beckie Silver-
man, the 13-year-old daughter of M.
Silverman, a prosperous farmer
living near McLouth. When ar-
rested Land drew a razor from his
pocket and made a desperate at-
tempt to cut his throat. When
taken before the girl he was identi-
fied. But for the quick work of
the officers in taking him to the
county jail he would have been
strung up to a telegraph pole. He
was given preliminary trial to-day
and bound over to the district court.
Special Excursions to the World's
Fair.

The Missouri Pacific railway has
made arrangements for a cheap trip
to the World's fair, and will run
special excursions to Chicago at
greatly reduced rates on the follow-
ing dates: July 24th and 31st and
August 7th. The advantages of this
route are many, owing to the ele-
gant through service and magnifi-
cent equipment. All particulars
concerning rates, leaving time of
trains, limit of tickets, etc., furnish-
ed by H. L. BERRY,
Ticket Agent, Missouri Pacific.

The Alleged Adulterer.

Clarence Pike, the Topeka nur-
sery salesman, will be arraigned in
Justice Blair's court to-morrow to
answer the charge of having lived in
adultery with Mrs. Albert Brown,
alias Mrs. Ada Ross, also of To-
peka. Pike was arrested ten days
ago and has been in jail ever since.
He is still on top. Who? Why
H. B. Wieman; who still sells the
best Dover coal for the least money.
Get August prices. Telephone 125.

You Can't Down Him.

While playing, last evening, the
8-year-old son of James Wilkerson,
of East Main street, fell upon the
sidewalk and fractured his right leg
below the knee. Dr. W. J. Fergu-
son attended the child.

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THE HIGH SCHOOL.

CONDITION OF THE BUILDING AS IT IS TO-DAY.

THE REPAIRS NECESSARY.

W. S. EPPERSON, an Expert, Makes Certain Recommendations to the Board.

A few weeks since the DEMOCRAT called attention to reports that were in circulation regarding the alleged unsafe condition of the Sedalia High school building, and at the next meeting of the board Mr. W. S. Epperson, an expert, was employed to inspect the structure and report as to its exact condition.

Yesterday the DEMOCRAT presented the concluding paragraph of Mr. Epperson's report, which was submitted to the board Monday afternoon; but there are no doubt a number who would prefer to read the report entire, and to accommodate all such it is presented to-day, as follows:

THE REPORT.

SEDALIA, Mo., July 26th, 1893.
To the Public School Board, Sedalia, Mo.

GENTLEMEN:—I herein beg to report the result of my examination of Broadway school building as to the general condition and construction of same, and would recommend the following repairs and changes:

I find by examination that the second-story floors are constructed with $2 \frac{1}{4}$ inch white pine joists, placed twelve inches from centers, and thoroughly bridged in the very best manner. These floors have a deadening material of one inch of clean lime and sand mortar laid between joists at top edge on one inch boards, closely cut in between joists and supported on one by two inch strips firmly nailed to joists which was at the time said building was constructed considered the most practicable and perfect way of deadening floors. The third-story joists are $2 \frac{1}{2}$ inches, placed on top of 2×8 original ceiling joists, and are twenty-four inches from centers. These joists are stripped and furred for lathing. I find that there is a depression in center of third floor, as follows: Southeast corner room, $2 \frac{1}{4}$ inch; southwest room, $3 \frac{1}{4}$ inch; northwest room, 3 inch; northeast room, 3 inch.

As the mansard story walls are resting upon these joists, I would recommend the construction of posts and girders as per plans submitted herewith, which will securely brace these floors, and relieve interior walls to a great extent from the weight they now carry, and will thoroughly brace the building, and make same absolutely safe and secure for carrying the weight of roof and floors.

INTERIOR BRICK WALLS.

I find that the interior brick walls are generally in perfect line, plumb and straight, and the brick and mortar are in a fair state of preservation, but would recommend that relieving arches be turned over all doors of first story in these walls.

EXTERIOR WALLS.

I find that the exterior walls, on account of settlement of the foundation, are cracked in several places, but the cracks seem to be of long duration, which indicates that there has been no late settlement in the foundation, and with a few anchors properly put in would relieve these walls of any immediate danger as to the safety of same. I also find that the stone water-table and stone trimmings in several places of the building need repairing to prevent same from further decay.

I will state that after making a thorough examination of all parts of the building, and also carefully calculating the maximum weight of loading these floors with children or adults, and making some tests, I find the carrying strength of floors and walls, after treated as herein suggested, is ample and perfectly safe, and if proper care is taken of same, I would consider the building as secure for the next five years as it has ever been in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. EPPERSON.

Secretary Flieschmann was seen this morning and stated that the board would act upon Mr. Epper-son's recommendations at once, or just as soon as the contract can be let, and the work will be completed at the earliest possible moment.

LOST HIS REASON.

The Assailant of the Gossage Boys Is Insane.

Charlie Blessing, a notorious character who was sent to the pen-

itentiary from this county for ten years for a felonious assault upon Jim Gossage while he was a member of the police force, has been declared insane and will be removed from the prison to one of the state asylums, with the understanding that in case his reason is restored he is to be returned to the penitentiary.

Blessing is said to be one of the most desperate men ever placed behind prison bars. A few years ago he arrived in Sedalia from Texas, and scarcely had he put foot inside of the corporate limits before he became involved in trouble.

Both Joe and Jim Gossage were members of the police force at that time, and in attempting to arrest the desperado both were shot. For a time it was feared their wounds would prove fatal, but their vigorous constitutions pulled them through, and they had the satisfaction of seeing their assailant go to prison for ten years.

THE RAILROADS.

Frank Reed, the switchman, is visiting at Holden.

Conductors Gudgel and Chambers are now running the Katy flyer between Parsons and Denison.

Yardmaster James M. Fleming is up from Parsons, preparatory to removing his family to that point.

Two train loads of stock passed through on the M. K. & T. last evening, en route to the Chicago market.

The narrow gauge brought in eight cars of stock from Mora last evening, destined for the St. Louis market.

The Santa Fe laid off 125 additional shop hands at Topeka yesterday, making a total of 400 in the last sixty days.

Superintendent of Transportation Sweeney, of the M. K. & T., has returned to Parsons from a business trip to Chicago.

G. S. Shea, formerly of this city, has accepted a position in the M. K. & T. train dispatcher's office at Sedalia.—*Nevada Mail*.

M. A. Martin, superintendent of bridges and buildings on the M. K. & T., accompanied by his family, has returned to Parsons from the World's fair.

M. Griffin, of St. Louis, city passenger agent for the "old reliable" Missouri Pacific, is in Sedalia today, arranging for an excursion to St. Louis on the 27th inst.

Ex-Night Depotmaster J. W. Grant, who has been visiting in St. Louis since the office of night depotmaster was abolished, returned to the city yesterday afternoon.

Col. E. W. McElhaney, of Sedalia, Mo., live stock agent of the Missouri Pacific road, was a visitor at the National yards to-day.—*St. Louis Live Stock Reporter*.

The past month's record of the fast mail service over the Missouri Pacific line, between St. Louis and Kansas City, shows that the train arrived on time every day except one, when a delay occurred through a washout.

Owing to the falling off of the coal trade twenty brakemen have been let out on the Choctaw division of the M. K. & T. and ten on the Texas divisions. A reduction in the present train service will be made on the entire system.

Gen. Supt. Clark, of the Missouri Pacific, is representing General Manager Doddridge to-day at the adjourned conference of western managers in Chicago, called for the purpose of adopting economic measures for the handling of freight traffic between the Mississippi river and the Rocky mountains, curtailing fast freight services, etc.

A Train Robber to Return.

Nathaniel C. Meyers, arrested at San Antonio, Texas, a month ago and identified by Chief Speers, of Kansas City, as one of the Lamar train robbers of February, 1892, has been identified also by Sheriff Carl, of Barton county, Mo., by means of cards sent out by Sheriff Campbell. He was arrested under the name of Charles Lookman, but admits he is Meyers, though claiming ignorance of the train robbery. He will return without requisition papers.

A \$2.50 Excursion.

The Missouri Pacific will run an excursion from Sedalia to St. Louis on Sunday, August 27, the fare for the round trip being only \$2.50. There will be ten coaches, and the excursionists will have eleven hours in St. Louis. The train will leave here at 6:45 a. m. and reach St. Louis at 12 m. Returning, it will leave St. Louis at 11 p. m. and arrive here at 5 m.

Still Other Tourists.

Twenty-five additional "Colorado sufferers" passed through Sedalia last night. They came in on freight train No. 130 at 11:40 o'clock, and the excursionists will have eleven hours in St. Louis. The train will leave here at 6:45 a. m. and reach St. Louis at 12 m. Returning, it will leave St. Louis at 11 p. m. and arrive here at 5 m.

THE VAMPIRE.

Blood-Sucking Bats Which Feed on Man and Animals.

Ever since the South American continent was discovered, especially that of lying between the Amazon and Orinoco rivers, travelers have come from there with wonderful tales of the vampire, or, as they call them, blood-sucking bats. As a fact, little is known about these pests. That there are blood-sucking bats which feed not only on the blood of man, but also animals, is an undoubted fact. In the case of a man attacked, the toe or nose is the point punctured, while animals are liable to be bitten anywhere. How the bat does its work has not been made clear, for no man has yet awakened while being operated on by one of these bats, despite the fact that considerable blood has been extracted and more or less loss of blood takes place after the operation. It is probable that the bat hovers during the operation rather than rests on the body. The rapid vibration of the soft wings probably has a soothing effect on the skin of the part operated on.

The blood-suckers belong to only two or three species, and wherever these are found there are also many others whose food is only fruit or insects or both. The most natural mistake about the bats which are innocent of preying on man or beast is the common supposition that vampyrus spectrum is a blood-sucker. The stretch of wings of this bat frequently reaches three feet, and it has a most ferocious aspect, with enormous large and pointed canine teeth. It is perfectly certain that in most parts of British Guiana this bat is only a fruit-eater, and a serious pest to fruit-growers. Bates and Edwards, who traveled much in that country, vouch for its harmlessness, and the writer could never hear of a case where one of these giant bats was even suspected of being a blood sucker.

WHAT HE WOULD DO.

But He Was Only a Brute of a Husband and Was Sordid.

They have only been married a few short months, still there came a faraway look in his eyes, and a tired smile crept along his mouth as she appealed to him with the ecstasy of each new hat she tried on at the milliner's.

"Oh, isn't this one sweet?" she cried, with the glee of a little child, as she clasped her hands over a flower garden tied around with two yards of stiffened ribbon on top of a saucer of solid agate.

He assented pathetically.

"But I don't know which is the sweetest, this one or the little one with the violets. I must have one of them—but, oh, dear, I cannot decide which—the lovely, dear darlings! What would you do?" she said, turning to her husband who he stood waiting against a show-case. "What would you do if you were me?"

"My dear," he said, very softly, "if I were you—"

She smiled coaxingly as he caught his breath.

"I think—" His face turned pale and then grew firm.

"I think I would take the first cable car and save my husband \$14." But she didn't.

Noiseless Slippers.

It is a good plan to have a pair of noiseless slippers on hand in cases of nursing. Warm, serviceable ones may be made by ripping the soles from an old pair of leather ones; knock off the heels and cover both sides with thick woolen cloth, overseaming on the edges. Good material for this as well as the uppers may be found in old coats or trousers. Cut the uppers by the old slippers and line with red flannel. Sew and press the seams in the cloth, then in the lining. Fit together and bind around the top. Slip the heel stiffening saved from the old slippers between lining and outside and baste together, holding both wrong sides out, then turn.

Superstition.

In the church of an agricultural parish within twenty miles of London there stood, the other Sunday at the dismissal of the congregation, a poor woman holding a plate. The object was to obtain thirty pence from as many unmarried men, to be exchanged for half-a-crown, also by an unmarried man; the half-a-crown thus obtained to be carried to a silversmith and made into a ring, to be worn on one of her fingers for the cure of epileptic fits, to which she had been long subject. This piece of incredible folly was gone through with the knowledge and sanction of the clergyman!

People Who Rarely Wink.

There are people who rarely wink. How they manage to get along without doing so is a marvel, but somehow or other they do. Some eyes are naturally more moist than others, and the very moist eye does not so much need the assistance of the lids to keep the eyeball bright. It is a constitutional matter, for winking, though under the control of the will, is done so quickly that it is practically an involuntary action. Men wink when they feel that the eye is uncomfortably dry, and when it does not become dry, the necessity for winking is not felt.

American Recklessness of Life.

Railways never would have been permitted to exist in England, writes William M. Aeworth, had they been as reckless of human life and as careless of the inconveniences they inflicted on individuals as American railways have been and to a great extent still are. An Englishman can only stare with astonishment when he sees for the first time trains running through crowded streets of cities such as New York and Chicago.

SMALL FRUITS.

The Experience of a Man With Hens and a Bookseller.

Last spring, because my wife was all run down and the children needed outdoor life, we hired a little place in the country. Among other inconveniences there was a hen-house on the place, which inspired my wife with the notion to keep poultry. She bought a lot of Shanghais and Brahmas, and one day as I was going to the city, she asked me to get a book about raising chickens.

"Because," she said, "it will be no use to have our own broilers in September."

That evening, on my way to the ferry, I stopped at a bookstore and inquired for "The Snare of the Fowler," which was then being advertised. The man looked about on his shelves for a while and then came back empty-handed.

"I'm sorry," said he, "but we're all out just at present of 'The Snare.' Here's another book, though, as good, if not better."

I looked at the little volume. It was full of pictures and plans and receipts and calculations of profits, but it was the title that took my fancy—"How to Make Money With a Few Hens," by James Pennybacker.

It appears hardly worth while to go into the details of our summer's experience. I bought the book, but we didn't have any broilers in September.

Any amateur chicken fancier can put you in the way of getting further information if you think it worth while to pursue the subject.

Officer Wade Wilfong was convicted in Justice Levens' court, last evening, of having disturbed the peace of J. J. Beabout, and a fine of \$1 and costs, or a total of \$13.30 was assessed. Notice of appeal was given.

\$100.00 IN CASH PREMIUMS.

Don't forget to bake a loaf of bread; in so doing help out a noble enterprise, the Charity hospital fund. Every dime helps to swell the Charity hospital fund. If you have not a kindly feeling toward the No. 8 hour you can use any four that you wish. However, none other than the No. 8 can compete for the prizes, and must be so stated on the day of delivery.

Everyone that has a drop of the milk of human kindness coursing through their veins should not forget the hospital fund and send us a loaf of bread.

Yours very respectfully,

B. S. REMBAUGH.

Weighs 110 at Five Years.

Walter Britt, a butcher living at Benton station, on the Missouri Pacific road, is the father of a boy wonder, in regard to weight.

The boy lacks over two months of being 5 years old and weighs 110 pounds. His name is Rolla. Both the boy's parents are of medium stature. He inherits his abnormal size from his grandfather on his father's side.

The boy is as tall as a boy of 10 years old and has arms and limbs as large as those of an ordinary man.

Officer Wilfong Convicted.

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RAILROAD TIME-CARDS.

Missouri Pacific Ry.

TRAINE NO. EASTBOUND

Arrive. Leave.

No. 2 Day Express, 12:45 p. m. 12:50 p. m.

No. 4 Night Exp's, 11:55 p. m. 12:05 a. m.

No. 6 Local Pass'r, 10:25 a. m. 10:30 a. m.

No. 8 Night Exp's, 12:40 a. m. 12:45 a. m.

TRAINE NO. WESTBOUND

Arrive. Leave.

No. 1 Day Express, 3:28 p. m. 3:35 p. m.

No. 3 Night Express, 3:10 a. m. 3:17 a. m.

No. 5 Local Pass'r, 3:15 p. m. 3:40 p. m.

No. 7 Fast Mail, 7:50 a. m. 7:55 a. m.

No. 9 Texas Express, 4:50 a. m. Runs via Lexington Branch.

No. 7 does not carry passengers.

Lexington Branch. Arrive. Leave.

No. 192 St. Louis Express, 10:20 a. m. 10:40 a. m.

No. 194 Local Passenger, 10:30 p. m. 10:40 p. m.

No. 198 Local Freight, 1:00 p. m. 1:00 p. m.

Depart.

Sedalia Democrat.

\$50,000. :- \$50,000.

People's Bank404 Ohio St. Paid Up Cap'l \$50,000
SEDALIA. Surplus \$2,500
Undivided Profits \$1,000

The only bank in Sedalia with a Savings Department. Interest paid on all savings deposits.

COUNTY DEPOSITORY.

Transacts a general banking business. Your account solicited.

Bank open Saturdays and Railroad pay-day evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

W. L. PORTER, J. C. VAN RIVER, President, Cashier.

Free! Free! Free!

To the Ladies of Sedalia.

We have come to Sedalia to introduce **Free of Charge****Moody's NEW IMPROVED Tailor****SYSTEM AND COMBINATION**

—OR—

Squares for Dress Cutting.

More than 500,000 ladies have successfully used Prof. D. W. Moody's Old Tailor System, and it gave entire satisfaction. But Prof. Moody fully abreast with the times and realizing that the great change would be made in the styles and fashions, invented this new and wonderful Dress Cutting System, and it is especially adapted to these new styles. It will meet every issue in the way of cutting a stylish and perfect fitting dress. In fact you can cut any garment worn by ladies or children. It is beyond question, the simplest system ever invented. Indeed, some ladies learn to cut and fit a dress in one lesson.

In order to introduce this wonderful invention to the ladies of Sedalia, we will teach a limited number of ladies

FREE OF CHARGE,

unlimited lessons, provided they call at once. Remember we give you full instructions about cutting and perfectly fitting dresses. We are now stepping at 120 E. Second St., and if you desire to learn how to cut your dresses, call at once, as we will be here but a few days. Agents wanted for this fast selling article, to whom liberal terms will be made. Call and see it, 120 E. Second St.

WEATHER REPORT

For the 24 Hours Ending 2 O'Clock This Afternoon by C. G. Taylor.

Wind	Cloudiness (in tenths.)	Temperature	Precipitation in inches.
E	8	84°	0.00.

Barometer 29.33.

Removal.

To my patrons and the public of Sedalia: I take this opportunity of thanking you for the very liberal patronage extended to me in my former place of business just vacated for want of room to accommodate the increasing demands. I therefore solicit a continuation of your favors in my now spacious, thoroughly ventilated, healthy and modern built new quarters, situated on Fourth street, one block west of the court house.

Special care taken of boarders entrusted in my hands, both in regard to their feed and health.

Respectfully,
JOHN A. COLLINS.**They Are Here.**

Fresh oysters in any style at the Silver Moon, 105 West Main.

An Old Lady

Who is in the habit of visiting the West Side Pharmacy, Third and Osage, said, "It is so refreshing, so life-invigorating, that I feel ten years younger." She referred to O. M. Brook's original celery phosphate compound.

"Americanite" cigars are the best.**A Surprise Party.**

Mrs. Wm. Loges, of 617 South Engineer street, was given a delightful surprise party last night, on the occasion of her fortieth birthday. A party of jolly friends assembled and the hours were delightfully passed with games, music, etc.

Tell Through a Floor.

F. N. Bohon, of the M. K. & T. coal chutes, tell through a defective coal car floor yesterday and sprained his ankle. He carries accident insurance in the Travelers.

The greatest of remedies, McFarland's German System Tonic, The Great Vitalizer. Ask your druggist for it.

COW PASTURE.

Good pasture, forty acres, in city limits, northeast. Terms reasonable. Apply to J. C. PARMLEREE, Leather store, 210 West Main.

Is Here on Business.

John Doyle, master car builder at Denison, Texas, arrived here this morning on business.

Notions
AT
10C
On
Dollar!**This CAPS THE CLIMAX!!**

Goods at 10c on the Dollar, Goods at 25c on the Dollar, Summer Dress Goods at 40c on the Dollar, Summer Dry Goods at 50c on the Dollar.

TO KEEP UP THE EXCITEMENT

In our great Mid-Summer Sale our buyer was forced to make a special trip to Eastern markets. Our enormous trade during past few weeks has about depleted the summer goods that with ordinary sales would have been carried over. The new lot of Summer Goods, almost \$5000 worth, that we place on sale tomorrow must be sold within two weeks. First choice the best. A word to the wise is sufficient.

What 2 1-2c a yd will buy.

One hundred pieces of figured 5c Lawns, not a fine fabric, but just the trick for a cool Mother Hubbard to be given away, at 2 1-2c a yard.

Just think of it, an 8 yard Dress Pattern, for 20c, or a 10 yard pattern for 25c. There will be a rush for 'em. If interested, call early to secure the 5c Lawns, for 2 1-2c a yard.

What 25c will buy.

About ten dozen 22 inch Black Cambric Parasols, manufactured to be sold at 50c, Sale price 25c.

24 inch Black 60c Parasol, now 29c.
24 inch Parasol, gilt handle, worth 75c, now 48c.

24 inch \$1.50 Gloria Silk Parasols, now 95c.

25 dozen of an all Silk 40c Mitt, now 25c a pair.

What 1c will buy.

1,000 Spools Basting Thread, at 1c a spool.

2,000 Cakes Toilet Soap, at 1c a cake.
1,500 Fine Combs, worth 5c, now 1c a piece.

600 Boutonnieres (Artificial Rose Bud) others sell at 10c, our price 1c.
10c Fancy Hair Pins, now 1c. Palm Fans, 1c. Bronze Clothes Hooks, now 1c. Bronze Toys, including Shovels, Picks, Rakes, Hoes and Hatchets, **Choice of the lot, for 1c each.**

Odd Prices.

2 1/2c will buy, a small wooden barrel of Carpet Tacks.

10c will buy, regular 25c Iron Toy Safes.

10c will buy, 25c Balance Scale.

4 1/2c will buy, 7 1/2c Scrim.

89c will buy, \$1.50, 6 1/4 Chenille Table Covers.

There will be a regular stampede for many of the Leaders. By calling early in this great sale you will find everything as advertised. No more goods at prices quoted after lots advertised have been sold.

More 5c Leaders.

Extra size 10c Honey Comb Towels, now 5c.

All Linen 10c Napkins, at 5c.

Ladies 10c Vests, at 5c.

Dark Ground 7 1/2c Challies, at 5c a yard.

Iron Pincers, worth 25c, now 5c.

25c Pad Locks, or 25c nut Crackers, now 5c.

100 other new 15 to 25c articles, on our 5c table.

What 12 1-2c will buy.

An even 50 dozen of a Ladies Scalloped and embroidered 25c Handkerchief, to be given away, at 12 1-2c.

A like quantity of a finer grade embroidered Handkerchief, at the ridiculously low price of 25c. To give as many persons as possible, a chance to secure a fine grade Handkerchief, at just 1/2 price, we limit 8 Handkerchiefs to each buyer.

Hosiery.

An enormous line of childrens Tan or Scarlet Hose, at prices ranging 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 25c and upwards. Ladies 15c Hose, now 10c, 40c Hose, now 25c, 60c Hose, now 30c. All this, and much more, this week.

From reserve stock we bring out 14 pieces (this closes the lot) of Tufted Swiss, Satin Striped Ginghams and Imported Crepons, they were made to sell at 25c, 30c and 32 1/2c.

We give you choice of the lot, for 18c a yard.

What 50c will buy.

Gents 75c unlaundried Shirts, or night shirts, 50c. In addition we are showing in the Gents Furnishing Department, 40c Maco Undewear at 25c, 75c. Balbriggan Underwear at 50c, Seamless Socks, at 10c and 100 other bargains that must be seen to be appreciated.

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